

Despite all that has been done, however, there are many malcontents, who still sigh for the "good old times" before Japan took the country under her wing. These individuals have acquired totally false notions as to Japan's purpose in Korea, and believe every tax that is levied is but another source of revenue for the Japanese Treasury. Thus it was that Prince Ito, who had filled the office of Resident-General in Korea until June, 1909, on returning from a visit to North China in October of that year, was assassinated by a fanatic who, in the words of the report, was "inspired by short-sighted superstition and mistaken patriotism." Other similar crimes were afterwards attempted, and this extraordinary rooted prejudice of a section of the people marred the peace and good order to establish which untiring efforts were being made. Slowly, however, Japan has demonstrated that she is really bent on accomplishing Korea's welfare, and though she has yet to learn a great deal in the art of colonizing, this line of her big attempts and her thoughtful creation of the new Korean policy is adhered to.

COMMERCIAL

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The Yarn Market.

Mosara, Polish, and Katwall report under date Sept. 17:—

Since our last report on the 1st inst. by S. S. Arandia, demand in our yarn market, had continued during the very commencement of the interval, resulting in the sales of about 3,000 bales at current rates, while almost the whole of this fortnight had passed without any inquiry.

Holders are remaining firm, owing to advices of higher rates in Bombay, as well as of a firmer tone in Shanghai, hence the market, though quiet, is kept up very steadily.

Total Sales 3,000 bales.
Unsold Stocks 23,000 bales.
Sold but undelivered in the Godown and to arrive 19,000 bales.

Arrivals.—The Mail Str. Asseye and extra Strs. Bombay Maru, Capri and Bingo Maru from Bombay, and Str. A. Apear from Calcutta have brought in 7,108 bales for Hongkong, and 5,865 bales for Shanghai. Shipments from Hongkong to Shanghai, and coast ports, &c., amount to about 1,000 bales.

Local Mills.—Have sold 150 Bales 10s. at \$134.

Shanghai.—Reports from Shanghai show an advance of 1s. 1 to 2 with good inquiry.

Japanese Yarn.—Business has been done in 50 Bales 10s. at \$170 and \$270 Bales 20s. at \$170.

Raw Cotton.—There is nothing in stock and quotations are nominal; Bengal \$35 to \$38, Chinese \$37 to \$41.

Synthetic Rubber.

It will be remembered a challenge was issued at the time of the Rubber Exhibition to produce a synthetic rubber. It was taken up, and a sample manufactured. This is reported on by Mr. Hermann C. T. Gardner in the "Financier." In his remarks he states:—

"Personally, I am not convinced the substance actually is caoutchouc, although, of course, it is not possible to affirm this absolutely unless a lengthy chemical investigation is entered into. The appearance and the physical attributes, united with a microscopic examination, suggest rather that it is an analogous homologue, or a body closely related to caoutchouc. At the most I can only describe it as a rubber-like substance. We have been told it takes three weeks for the material to acquire the characteristics of rubber; if so, the sample I hold has had sufficient time to alter. Certainly, it is changing from an opaque white to a translucent appearance at its exterior, resembling sheet gelatin. It is still unchanged in its interior. It is extremely soft, and can be readily torn apart by the fingers. A little separated, it can be very easily stretched, but fails to regain its shape—that is to say, it is not elastic, or only so to an infinitesimal degree. In order to be perfectly fair in my investigation I took for comparison the newest real rubber obtainable from the plantations, about four months old. I could not detect any admixture with natural rubber; indeed, the properties of the article, apart from any scientific scrutiny, are opposed to the presence of natural rubber, from which it differs very greatly.

It will thus be gathered that if it is caoutchouc it is such caoutchouc as a broker might hesitate to sell as rubber, and to which it may be averred indisputably a manufacturer would be reluctant to give serious attention. Unless some cheaper and more satisfactory method is introduced, until, also, some process is devised that will give rubber of indisputable properties and of indubitable nature, neither those interested in the plantation industry nor the plantation industry itself need have any cause for alarm.

SENSATIONAL CRICKET.

WARWICK'S METEORIC RISE.

The following is from a Home paper of Aug. 24:—

Nothing has been so remarkable in the season's cricket as the advance of the Warwickshire team. Before the commencement, when so many attempts were made to find a new and more satisfactory method of deciding the championship, it was suggested that the Midland county were not strong enough to rank as first-class. Now, following the defeat of Kent at the Oval, on August 23, it is probable that they will be the champion eleven of the year.

Until then it seemed likely that Kent would retain the championship for the third successive year. For once, however, they failed to beat Surrey in one of the keenest and most exciting matches of the season. Only nine runs separated the teams at the finish.

For the first time Warwickshire are now at the top of the championship table, and all they have to do to remain there is to win their last game against Northamptonshire, which commences at Northampton on Saturday next. By winning that match they will gain a percentage of 74.00—figures Kent, as the result of their defeat at the hands of Surrey yesterday, cannot equal.

The position, however, is full of possibilities. Should Warwickshire be beaten at Northampton, or only gain either three points or one point, Kent can, after all, carry off first honours. Kent's two remaining matches are with Yorkshire, at Canterbury, to-day, and Essex, at Leyton next Wednesday. Middlesex, too, should matters go badly with both Kent and Warwickshire, have a chance of being champions. The records of the teams in the tournament are as under:—

Played	Won	Lost	1st Won	1st Lost	No. of Pts.	Runs	Wickets	Percentage
War.	19	12	4	3	0	95	69	72.63
Kent	24	15	4	3	2	120	86	71.66
Mid.	20	12	5	3	0	100	69	69.00
Essex	17	8	4	1	1	85	59	62.85
Surrey	24	17	8	3	4	130	74	60.00
Lancs.	2	13	7	1	3	135	80	52.25
York.	25	13	7	1	4	125	72	57.80
Notts.	10	8	5	3	3	95	62	61.73
Glouc.	10	8	0	0	0	80	10	50.00
Hamp.	21	7	8	4	2	105	49	48.66
Worce.	21	9	11	0	1	105	45	48.80
Glos.	17	5	11	0	3	95	28	29.47
Sussex	21	4	13	2	2	105	28	28.66
Dorset	17	2	12	0	3	85	13	15.24
Leics.	21	1	16	2	2	105	13	12.88
Som.	13	1	10	0	2	65	7	10.76

The match at Dewsbury between Yorkshire and Northamptonshire, in which an innings was not completed on each side, is not included in the above table.

A win counts 5 points; in drawn games the side leading on the first innings scores 3 points, and the side behind on the first innings 1 point.

Warwickshire have never played such good cricket, nor have they ever had anything like so good a record. From a side that generally had to struggle for runs they have become a live team, confident and daring to a point which has commanded success. It has not been Warwickshire who have gone into the field fearing defeat this season, and their record of 12 victories is only surpassed by Kent, Surrey, Lancashire, and Yorkshire, who each play several more matches.

Brilliant Young Captain.

Shortly before the season started Warwickshire were without a captain, and the position was offered to the brilliant young cricketer F. R. Foster, "on a month's trial." Foster consented to lead the team, but only after all restrictions had been withdrawn, and to his own splendid play and influence can the wonderful improvement of the team be directly ascribed. As batsman and bowler he has been one of the finest cricketers of the season, and not since the days of A. G. Steel has England seen such a clever young amateur. Only 22 years of age, he has accomplished the feat of scoring 1,000 runs and taking 100 wickets.

The success of the team has created an astonishing revival of interest in cricket in Warwickshire. Financially all records have been beaten. During the six days of August Bank Holiday week and the following two playing days 50,000 people watched the three matches contested in

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The propaganda of the pacifists show the horrors of war, but unfortunately the time has not yet arrived when international conflicts can be settled by the Hague Court of Arbitration and without the sound of rifle and cannon. France, adds the Reporter of the Commission, will await the dawn of the era of universal peace, without, however, neglecting her obvious duty in the exigencies of national defence.

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KENNEDY.—At the Peak Hospital, Victoria, Hongkong on the 16th September, SEPTIMUS GRAY KENNEDY, of the staff of Messrs. BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE. [1347]

The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18th, 1911.

THE OBJECT LESSON.

An aimable failing of most men is the habit of turning a microscopic eye upon the virtues of whatever spot of earth they elect to make their home. To its defects they are blind or as blind as the circumstances permit. Those who have been in this Colony long enough to become a part of its life, to share its hopes, its fears and its aspirations, may, however, feel a justifiable thrill of pride when they pause to consider all that our Colony symbolizes. There are men living to-day in whose childhood Hongkong was not even a name. The place was unknown except to a few adventurous mariners who had sailed past it with little concern and no suspicion that a city would spring up on its shores which would have the proud claim to call itself the premier port of the Far East. Hongkong to them was only one of the barren islands with which the coast of the mysterious and hostile Empire of China was studded. At first valued most, probably, for its strategic importance, it quickly manifested its commercial possibilities, and during the past six decades it has grown in size and importance at a rate seldom equalled and still more rarely excelled. The performance as we see it at the present moment, brilliant though it be, is surpassed by the promise of the future. When another fifty years shall have passed away it is safe to prophesy that Hongkong will still maintain its pre-eminence among Far Eastern ports, and will have become one of the great cities of the world.

Great as are the natural advantages with which Hongkong has been endowed, it is not to them alone or even principally that her rise to prominence has been due. Natural advantages if they are owned by people who are too ignorant or too apathetic to put them to use can accomplish nothing of themselves. The intelligent utilization of the opportunities that Hongkong offered, and the institution of governance strong, but broadly based on the well-being of the many, has raised Hongkong from the status of a desolate island to that of an orderly and prosperous Colony. We do not defend nor commend everything that has been done by the Government of the Colony from the earliest times, but even those who regard the Crown Colony form of Government with something like misgiving must admit that what has been accomplished, broadly considered, is worthy of all praise. Security for life and property, the most valuable gift that can be granted by those who govern to those who are governed, is possessed by all residents of Hongkong, high and low, rich and poor, foreign or Chinese to a degree not excelled in longer settled parts of the world.

Does China take any notice of the object lesson continually visible just across her threshold? An affirmative reply must be given in regard to the unofficial residents of the adjacent portions of the mainland. We all know that as a result of the recent disturbances in Kwangtung that numerous Chinese have elected to take up their residence beneath the British flag at Hongkong. But there is reason to doubt whether the official classes, even in the two Kwang provinces, have profited by the example in good government supplied by this Colony. The Chinese official mind resembles that of the Bourbons in its capacity for learning and forgetting. Still, though it may be that it will take many decades for the scales to fall from Chinese official eyes, only the confirmed pessimist will decide that the object lesson that Hongkong supplies will be entirely disregarded. Leaven works slowly in a vast body, but it works surely and the establishment of the Hongkong University will be of inestimable service in bringing nearer the day when China, without abandoning anything that is admirable in her own system, will be able to see clearly the merits of the system of justice and official integrity that has raised this Colony to the position it now occupies in the scheme of things.

DAY BY DAY

When I am Old.

By Nanno Woods.

Will you love me later on, dear,
 When my lips are red no more,
 When my eyes are dim and dull,
 Dear,

Gone the youthful grace of yore?
 When my merry glance is fled,
 dear;

With the roses from my cheek;
 When my voice has lost its charm,
 dear,

And my step is slow and weak?
 Will you miss the outward beauty,
 Miss the bright external show,
 Or do you set a higher value

On the soul's deep inward glow?
 For the ridges and the wrinkles
 Speak of physical decay,
 But the soul retains its beauty,
 Though all else must pass away.

To-day is the anniversary of the great typhoon of 1906.

A sale of Crown lands situated above Kennedy Road will be held this afternoon at the P. W. D. offices.

Headwaters Mining Co.
 In the month of August, states the "Manila Times," the Headwaters Mining Co. cleaned up 300 ounces of gold from 600 tons of quartz, the return equalling about \$8 per ton. It is anticipated that in October the clean up will be anything from 800 to 1,000 ounces.

Armoured Motor Wagon.
 To protect the Liverpool police from showers of missiles during the recent rioting an armoured motor wagon was improvised, protected with strong planks all round, and having in front a viewing space, whence accurate observations could be taken. This apparatus was covered with strong wire netting, which turned aside any missile, bottle or stone thrown at it. The car moved very swiftly through the streets and the constables in this Liverpool Trojan horse were able to jump out swiftly to arrest offenders.

A Suspicious Case.
 A man, who was found at Wand-chai with two packets of European type in his possession, was arrested and charged with unlawful possession at the Magistracy to-day. Defendant said a friend in Macao gave him the type to sell in Hongkong. The prisoner was remanded till Friday for enquiries.

Harvest Thanksgiving.
 Yesterday was kept as harvest thanksgiving day at St. John's Cathedral, when there were good attendances at both the morning and evening services. The chancel was richly decorated with pot plants and greenery. The preacher in the evening was the Bishop of Victoria, who made a strong appeal on behalf of the Missions to Seamen, to which a portion of the collections throughout the day were devoted.

An Interesting Find.
 An interesting Sanskrit manuscript, an epic poem in twenty cantos, which will throw much light on the history of the Cholas from earliest time to the reign of Surjansinha, Raja of Chunar, who lived in the 16th century, has been found in the library of the Asiatic Society in Calcutta. This manuscript, which was written by Chandra Sekhar, a contemporary of Surjansinha, has apparently long escaped the attention of Oriental scholars. The manuscript also includes a history of Prithviraj of Delhi and Ajmer, and considerable importance is attached to it for that reason.

Check.
 Mr. F. W. Armstrong, who resides at Trevellyn, 18, The Peak, this morning discovered two coolies, deliberately tearing down the stone wall which surrounds his house, and that their labour might not be without profit, were carrying the stone thus secured, away with the object of delivering them to a contractor engaged in building operations elsewhere. This little enterprise saved them a journey to some place more remote and further from the work in hand. Why go further afield when the stone in Mr. Armstrong's wall was so near at hand and so easily removed? They are now in the hands of the police and may possibly have an opportunity of discovering with what degree of accuracy Lovelace wrote when he declared:

Stone walls do not a prison make
 Nor iron bars a cage.

The death is announced of Admiral Lord Charles Thomas Montagu-Douglas-Scott. It may be recalled that while in command of the Rinaldo he took part in the expedition to Yungchow, November, 1898, and in the destruction of piratical villages near Swatow January following.

Mr. W. P. Kor, Commercial Attaché to H. B. M. Legation at Peking, who has just returned from home leave, took over the duties of his office yesterday from Mr. H. H. Fox, who is about to return to England on furlough, reports the "N. O. Daily News" of September 12. Mr. Kor was to remain in Shanghai for a few days before proceeding to Peking.

Mr. W. D. Straight, According to a despatch in the "Eastern Times," Mr. W. D. Straight, former United States Consul General at Mukden, has been appointed by the Four Power Loan Syndicate to supervise the expenditure of the loan of 30 million taels, which will be used for the development of industries in Manchuria. All expenditures from this fund will be made only when countersigned by him. He has arrived in Mukden, and a first class adviser for reclamation affairs in Mukden and Kirin has been appointed to assist him.

Cinematographs in China.
 The London correspondent of the "Manchester Guardian" hears that a London cinematograph syndicate has just concluded negotiations with the Chinese Government by which they will have the privilege of supplying films for and to organize an extensive system of cinematograph theatres throughout the whole of China. The capital is being provided by local mandarins, and the theatres will be entirely in Chinese hands. The other part of the arrangement is that the syndicate is to be given the right to take films in any part of China, and to have special privileges which hitherto were quite unattainable. During the past three years a good deal of cinematograph work of one kind or another has been done in China and an operator who recently returned had some terrifying experiences.

Garrison Orders.

In accordance with para. 150, Regulations for Engineer-Services, 1910, Part I, all War Department Roads in the Command will be closed from 6 a.m. 20th Sept. 1911, to 6 a.m. 30th Sept. 1911. Barriers will be erected at the following places between the above named roads:—Junction of road from East Married Quarters with Queen's Road opposite Arsenal Yard; Junction of road from Victoria Barracks with Queen's Road opposite Wellington Barracks; Junction of Murray Path with Queen's Road; Junction of road South of Murray Barracks with the public road to St. John's Cathedral; Junction of road leading by Victoria Barracks with the Kennedy Road near Boundary Stone; Junction of path leading from near Head Quarters House Guard Room to Kennedy Road; Two paths leading from Kennedy Road to Married Quarters "A" Block and "B" and "C" Blocks; Path leading from Kennedy Road to "E" Block and New A.O.D. Foremen's Quarters; Path leading from Bowen Road at East end of Bowen Road Hospital to R.A.M.C. Married Qrs; Murray Battery path across Glacis; Road leading to Mount Austin Barracks from Peak Road; Road to Sanitarium Barracks; Path from North West corner of War Department land leading into Whitfield Barracks; Portion of path between Whitfield Camp and Naval Coal Depot included between line of War Department Boundary Stones and Fence of Whitfield Camp; Path from Hung Hom to East Battery where it crosses the War Department Boundary; Path leading from Lyenun-Fort to Lyenun Hill; Road from Devils Peak to Gough and Pottinger Batteries, where it crosses the War Department Boundary; Lyenun path leading from West side of Barracks to Shaukiwan; Footpath from Tram Station, Garden Road, in a North Easterly direction to road over Albany Nullah; Stanley Footpath from Boundary Stones Nos. 8 and 14; Sentries will be furnished at each of the above named barriers.

The English mail of August 19 was delivered in London on Sept. 16.

The body of an unknown Chinese male, aged about 50, has been conveyed to the mortuary. It was found in Cook Street.

It is said that Miss Eva Gauthier will give concerts at Batavia, Buitenzorg, Djoeja, Solo, Soerabaya and Samarang in October.

The son of the Sultan of Johore, who has been very ill with enteric fever at the Malay Residential College, Kuala Kangsar, is progressing towards recovery, reports the "Straits Times."

Capt. P. S. Harland, the Buffs, has been appointed acting Aide-de-Camp to Major-General T. E. Stephenson, C.B., vice Capt. G. D. A. Elliott-Cooper, The Royal Fusiliers.

Sven Hedin, the Swedish explorer, has been made a member of the Academy of Sciences. Dr. Hedin left his native city of Stockholm in 1893, and after a difficult and successful journey through Pamir reached Peking at last in 1897. The celebrated explorer was in Singapore a few years ago, after having penetrated into the heart of Tibet.

Running Amok.
 A Labuan telegram dated Sept. 11 says:—The man Kula, who ran amok recently and killed a native magistrate and a clerk at Tutong, Brunei, has been captured together with his followers. They are now in custody here.

Assault.
 The quartermaster of the s.s. Pao Lo was summoned for assaulting the manager of the Stag Hotel last evening, at the Police Court to-day. He was fined \$10.

Snatchers.
 A man appeared before Mr. Hazeland on a charge of snatching hair ornaments from Chinese women. This charge was not proved, but he was fined \$15 or one month for being in unlawful possession of a piece of jade stone.

Kowloon Ferry Wharf.
 Work in connection with the Star Ferry Wharf on the Praya is proceeding apace, and yesterday morning passengers received an indirect intimation that the end was in view. The ferries, instead of landing their passengers on the right hand side of the wharf made fast on the left.

Bijou Scenic Theatre.
 A strong programme has been arranged for the week by the management of the Bijou. The ever-popular Miss Vera Ferraro is heard to great advantage in the song "My Hero" from "The Chocolate Soldier," while her football number is given with a vim and received with acclamation. A really excellent series of films is now being shown.

The Colony's Health.
 Dr. Francis Clark, M.O.H., is again able to announce that the Colony is free from plague. No cases occurred during the week ended September 16. During the same period one Chinese died from small-pox and four cases of enteric fever were reported, two Chinese and two Japanese.

Typhoon Warning.
 The American Consulate General has received the following telegram dated September 17, from the Manila Observatory:—Cyclone or typhoon near or over Balintang Channel moving W.N.W.

The Consulate General received the following message dated Manila, Sept. 18, at 9.20 this morning:—Cyclone or typhoon W. of Balintang Channel moving W.

The Red Signals were hoisted at Kowloon and on the Tamar yesterday and to-day.

Housing a Governor.
 Sandakan has at last a Government House worthy of the name. The building and grounds, says the "B. M. B. Herald," would do justice to any place, of even greater importance, in the East, and much credit is due to those who planned the building and carried out every detail so thoroughly. The old block, which adjoined the first part of the new building, has been subsumed into a new wing which consists of a large airy reception room, office and billiard room on the ground floor; this latter being an exceptionally handsome room, paneled on one side with picked planks, out from every known lumber in the country.

It has been decided by the U. S. Government to organize the Pacific Reserve Squadron. It will consist of 11 warships and will have its base at Puget Sound.

By a decree dated Aug. 19, the Vice-Consulate of France at Nanning will henceforth bear the title of Vice-Consulate at Longchow and Nanning, with the principal residence of the post at Longchow.

The national debt of the German Empire and of the different states at the end of 1910 was \$961,240,000 whereas in 1909 it was only \$878,640,000. This means an increase of \$82,600,000, the largest ever recorded in one year.

The "Shanghai Times" understands that a summons has been issued against the Shanghai Astor House Hotel Co., Ltd., for allowing gamblers to play at its bar, which is sub-let to a German subject.

Dr. Shao Ching H. Chuan left Shanghai on Sept. 12 by the S. S. Manchuria for the United States for the purpose of medical investigation. Dr. Chuan hails from Peking and has been connected with the Peking University, Tientsin, for the past six years.

Lost Time.
 The manager of the Stag Hotel reports that during a little trouble that occurred either inside or outside his hotel, a man lost a watch valued at \$95.

Shortage of Copper Cents.
 There is a considerable activity in the demand for copper cents in Poshan, and their value has gone up 30 per cent. This is due to the shortage of these coins in Kwangsi, as a large quantity has been sent there from Kwangtung.

A Young Beginner.
 A fifteen-year old boy has been arrested for stealing \$211.05 worth of jewellery and money. With the exception of \$4.33 all the missing property has been recovered by the police.

Pagoda for Paris.
 It appears that Paris is to have a Chinese pagoda. The plans are to be submitted to the approval of the Prefect of the Seine, and as soon as passed, the work will be begun. There has always been a pagoda-like gate to the Chinese Legation in the quiet Rue de Babylone, but, of course, that is not the same thing as a real pagoda.

Salvation for Shanghai.
 A couple of foreigners wearing the salvation army uniform attracted attention along the Bund on Aug. 11 and gave rise to the report that the men intended to hold a meeting. From enquiries made by the "Shanghai Mercury" it was learned that the "soldiers" were only passing through Shanghai en route to Korea. As soon as financial support is forthcoming a branch of the army will be established in Shanghai.

A Sage Suggestion.

A Trade Unionist (but not a Socialist) makes a suggestion that a remedy might be found if paid agitators and secretaries of trade unions were paid after the style of Chinese medical men—that is to say, their pay to cease when a strike is declared and to begin again when it was settled. We imagine, if such a regulation were in force, that much anxious perturbation would be indulged in before a strike was ordered.—"L. & C. Express."

Battleship Armament.

A naval correspondent of the "L. & C. Express," writing about the divided opinion which exists among the authorities of nearly all the first-class naval nations of the world in regard to the question of the best position for mounting the primary armament of battleships, remarks that, after all, an ounce of practice is worth a ton of theory, and the fact is that the middle line system is being adopted in the great majority of the world's battleships now on the stocks, Germany and Japan standing conspicuously out of dissentients at present, with Japan on the "give." Properly controlled broadside fire appears to be the most favoured method of using primary guns in the future.

CHARITY CONCERT.

Saturday's Entertainment at Mount Austin.

There was a large gathering present at the Palace Theatre, Mount Austin, on Saturday night at the concert given in aid of military charities. Among those present was H.E. Major-General Anderson, and the naval and military elements were well represented. The Band of the K.O.Y.L.I. gave selections of music in their usual finished style. Corporal Burgess (King's Medalist) gave a skilful display of sword-swinging. The deftness and dexterity of his various movements were subjects of favourable comment and the Corporal by way of an encore gave a further exhibition blindfolded. Mr. P. J. West's coarser impersonations were well received. Sonoria Delia made her bow to the audience in a Spanish creation and warbled a serenade to the accompaniment of a guitar. An encore had to be conceded. Mark Antwerp then delighted the audience by reciting a number of adventurous incidents at the piano and gave "Archibald, Certainly Not" as an encore. "My Old Kentucky Home" by the Kentucky Quartette, composed of Messrs. Emmett, Jones, Skrimshire and Dinnie, was rendered in perfect harmony, the voices of the singers blending admirably. A tubophone solo by a member of the orchestra was skilfully rendered, while Mr. H. J. Jones' "Stonescraper John" and "Absent" were received with applause. Mrs. Walker appeared in the guise of a pierrotte and gave a catlike number with success, and had to re-appear. A striking feature of the programme was the Russian dance by the "Semiroff Family," including Little Novski. The trio forming the family showed remarkable aptitude in their efforts and entered into the spirit of the dance with such enthusiasm that it could not but ensure success. The concluding item was a description of "Pierrot's Wooing" by the March Hare.

For the success which attended the evening's entertainment, the thanks of all concerned are due to Captain W. Wodehouse and Mr. H. F. G. Carter, who acted as scenic artists, and to Captain F. J. G. Agg, who discharged the duties of business manager.

THE OPIUM TRADE.

Regulations Cancelled.

The "Telegraph" Correspondent.
 Canton, September 15.
 The High Commissioner of the Customs Revenue has asked the Canton Viceroy to cancel the regulations newly enforced connected with the import of prepared opium, the tax on which is to be twice as much as that on foreign raw opium. The cancellation of these regulations, he declares, is expedient, in view of the fact that foreign opium not covered by certificate, cannot be imported into China, according to the arrangement recently arrived at with the British Minister at Peking. If the import of prepared opium be permitted, advantage would be taken of the regulations. It is impossible to distinguish the certified opium after preparation. As regards export of prepared opium, it should be regulated as has been suggested by the Chief Commissioner of Customs. On receipt of the despatch, the Viceroy instructed the Canton Customs authorities accordingly.

WEST RIVER PIRACIES.

Chinese Admiralty Anxious.

The "Telegraph" Correspondent.
 Canton, September 16.
 H.E. the Canton Viceroy, has received a telegram from the Admiralty in regard to the alleged intention of the British Government to despatch gunboats for cruising service along the West River as a result of many of the piratical outrages. The Admiralty urges the Viceroy to see that the West River is regularly patrolled by Chinese gunboats in order to free the waterway of pirates. The Viceroy has instructed the Brigadier General and the Commodore to order the land soldiers and naval troops respectively to keep on the alert.

CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

The Criminal Sessions were held at the Supreme Court this morning, Mr. Justice Gompertz, Acting Chief Justice, presiding.

Robbery with Violence.

Chan Ping was indicted on a charge of armed robbery at Tsim-tai-tai, Kowloon, on August 7 last. Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, Attorney-General, instructed by Mr. P. M. Hodgson, Crown Solicitor, prosecuted. Prisoner, who was undefended, entered a plea of not guilty.

The jury was as follows:—Messrs. H. A. Lamont (foreman), E. M. Remedios, R. J. dos Remedios, O. F. de Carvalho, C. E. Lynam, C. B. da Rosa and L. F. Cooke.

The Attorney-General stated that prisoner was charged with the offence of committing an armed robbery in company with three other men not in custody. Prisoner committed the robbery on August 7. On July 30 prisoner went to the shop of the prosecutor, who was a building contractor of Ship Street, and asked him to go to Bowrington to carry out certain repairs to a house. Two days later, the contractor went to the place and apparently a bargain was struck. On August 7 the prisoner went again to the contractor and said he wished to have repairs made to a house at Tsim-tai-tai. The two men went by train to the ferry, the contractor paying for the fare. The contractor on arrival at the house was told to make the repairs and while he was making measurements, he was set upon by four men, who gagged and tied him and robbed him of property valued at \$180. It took the contractor ten minutes to free himself. Having done that, he got into the street and raised an alarm. The prisoner was not only identified, but the prisoner himself admitted he was there. When taken to the Police Station, prisoner made a statement.

Evidence was then called. Prisoner on being asked whether he wished to make a statement, said that the charge was a false one and added that there was no evidence against him sufficient to convict him. There was nobody to commit the robbery. The prosecutor must have committed the robbery himself (laughter).

The jury returned a unanimous verdict of guilty and sentence was passed of five years' hard labour and twelve strokes of the "cat."

A Harbour Outrage.

Before the same jury which tried the above case, Chan Hon, Ng Choi and Leung Kam Mui, the latter a woman, were charged with committing a robbery at Yau-ma-tei Bay on August 13 and receiving stolen property. Prisoners pleaded not guilty.

The Attorney-General stated that the charge of robbery was dropped against the third prisoner, who was now only charged with receiving. On the evening of August 13, the two male prisoners engaged a boat in the harbour, two women and a child being on board the boat. They went out into the harbour and the men robbed the women of all their little possessions, among them being a finger ring. They gagged the women and then made off. The very next morning, all three prisoners were arrested, and the ring was identified as part of the stolen property. The ring was found in an earthenware pot under the bed of the female prisoner, who said that the ring belonged to her and that she had owned it for the last three years, having bought it at Yau-ma-tei. One of the women was able to identify the two men absolutely, but the second woman could only speak as to the heights of the prisoners being similar to those of the robbers. But a peculiar fact in connection with the case was that subsequent to the robbery the men were found in the female prisoner's house, which corroborated the identification.

The jury without retiring entered a verdict of guilty by six to one in respect of the first two prisoners and a unanimous verdict of guilty against the third prisoner.

The Attorney-General informed his Lordship that the first prisoner was charged with committing a similar robbery on another junk on July 28. The prisoner might be asked to plead to the charge.

Prisoner pleaded not guilty.

The Attorney-General intimated that he would not tender any evidence.

His Lordship—Are there any previous convictions against any of the prisoners?

The Attorney-General—No, my Lord.

Sentence was passed of five years' hard labour each on the first two prisoners and six months' hard labour on the third prisoner.

Charge of Kidnapping.
Thang Muk, alias Young Pi, was indicted on a charge of kidnapping a 11-year-old child. Prisoner pleaded not guilty to the charge.

The Attorney-General stated that on August 22 the mother of the child left the child at home while she went out. The child would say that while he was walking along the tram lines, the prisoner touched him on the shoulder and asked him to call him "Uncle," which he naturally refused to do. He took him to a spot near the Harbour Office, where they evidently passed the night. He then proceeded to Yau-ma-tei with the child and was on the point of boarding a train when they were met by a Chinese constable, whose suspicions were aroused and who arrested the prisoner upon not receiving a satisfactory explanation. The prisoner's story was that the mother had asked him to sell the child for her and divide the proceeds and then stent the child back again. The prisoner declared that he consented to be a party to the fraud, but that he did not steal the child. If the jury believed the story to be at all probable, they should give the prisoner the benefit of the doubt, but he submitted that the prisoner's guilt was clearly proved.

The jury, after a few minutes' deliberation, without retiring, could not agree, the foreman announcing that the verdict was four to three.

His Lordship asked the jurors to retire, and after an absence of half an hour, the foreman announced the same verdict.

His Lordship—Is there no chance of coming to an agreement, gentlemen?

The foreman—Very little, my Lord.

The Attorney-General—The case should be re-tried before a fresh jury to-morrow, in the same sessions.

His Lordship—Yes, I think so. A re-trial was accordingly ordered.

Another Kidnapping Charge.
Chan Kwai, a Chinese woman, was charged with kidnapping a five-year-old boy on the 15th August.

The jury returned a unanimous verdict of guilty and sentence was passed of five years' hard labour.

Obituary.
We regret to announce the death of Mr. S. G. Kennedy, one of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire's assistants, which occurred on Saturday. The immediate cause of death was heart failure. About a month ago Mr. Kennedy was admitted into the Peak Hospital suffering from pleurisy. He practically recovered from this, but on Saturday he took a turn for the worse and rapidly sank. The deceased gentleman had only come to Hongkong from Shanghai last spring. Yesterday the house flag and those on Messrs. Butterfield and Swire's steamers were flown at half-mast as a token of respect.

The Northern Floods.
Another instance of the havoc wrought by the floods is reported from the Tientsin-Pukou Railway, says the "N. O. Daily News." Here a bridge in the Mingkwong section about 130 miles north of Pukou, is said to have been practically washed away. The bridge spans the Chihli River, and during the floods the water here rose to an enormous extent. The centre span of 200 feet of iron work was washed away, and on each side three spans of fifty feet also collapsed. In the meantime arrangements are being made for a temporary structure, but to replace the bridge that has just been washed away will cost a considerable sum. So great is the force of the water said to have been that within a short period it undermined one of the supports, and thus caused the collapse.

SPORT.

CRICKET.

Army Ordnance Corps v. Civil Service.

On Saturday afternoon the Army Ordnance Corps visited the Civil Service Club's ground for a friendly cricket match. The visitors lost the toss and were put in first, and failed to do anything much with the willow. Only two reached double figures. Even then they looked like making a good fight for first blood, for five Civil Service wickets fell for 38, but a change in the bowling gave the tail-end a chance to swing and the home team came out winners by 72 runs. The scores were as follow:—

Army Ordnance Corps.
Corporal Johnson, run out, b Cox 11
Pte. Crew, b Edmonds 0
Corporal Osman, run out, b Edmonds 2
Cpl. Cleo, b Brett 0
Cpl. Davison, b Bird 15
Pte. Lashbrook, b Wittehill 1
Cdr. Tucker, run out 1
Staff-Sgt. Kirby, l.b.w., b Tellman 5
Cpl. Saunders, b Wittehill, b Tellman 1
Pte. Watts, b Cox 4
Pte. Forslow, not out 0
Extras 13
Total 62

Civil Service.
Sutherland, c Forslow, b Osman 0
McEwen, c b Osman 15
Wittehill, b Osman 1
Tellman, run out 15
Bird, b Osman 1
Brett, b Saunders 10
Edmonds, c Lashbrook, b Davison 0
Cox, run out 33
Gibson, run out 10
Davison, b Cleo 20
Bacon, not out 3
Extras 10
Total 134

Kowloon v. Craigengower.
At the Happy Valley on Saturday afternoon Kowloon Cricket Club met Craigengower, and after a very interesting match Kowloon secured the honours with a margin of 28 runs. For the winners White bowled well, securing five wickets for five runs apiece. Lamert for Craigengower took four wickets for 33 runs.

The scores were as follows:—
Kowloon.
F. Saiton, b. Lamert 2
A. O. Brown, c. Taylor, b. Braja 41
A. R. Raven, c. Pestonji, b. Taylor 14
J. H. Moad, c. Phillips, b. Pestonji 7
K. McKaskill, run out 5
Capt. Hagger, c. Phillips, b. Lamert 13
Lieut. White, c. Carvalho, b. Braja 0
W. Waterhouse, b. J. V. Braja 16
W. L. Weaver, b. Lamert 6
J. R. Robinson, not out 12
J. A. Tarrant, b. Lamert 0
Extras 19
Total 135

Craigengower.
R. A. Carvalho, b. McKaskill 7
H. H. Taylor, c. Raven, b. White 8
R. Pestonji, c. McKaskill, b. White 55
E. L. Bragg, c. White, b. McKaskill 5
L. A. Ross, c. & b. Waterhouse 8
J. V. Braja, b. Weaver 3
J. E. Lamert, b. Weaver 3
J. D. Noria, c. Waterhouse, b. White 1
A. H. Viviani, not out 0
B. Phillips, b. White 1
J. Chunyut, c. Hagger, b. White 0
Extras 13
Total 107

CANTON-KOWLOON RAILWAY.
Attack by Robbers.

(See "Telegraph" Correspondent.)
On the night of the 14th inst. about fifty robbers armed with rifles made an attack on the Chihli Railway Station of the Canton-Kowloon Railway, and seized a large quantity of arms and ammunition and money. They decamped with their booty after wounding a railway policeman.

The City Hall.
During the week ended Sept. 17, 3,003 persons visited the City Hall Museum, and 495 visited the Library.

THE V. R. C. SPORTS.

Good Entries.

The entries for the V.R.C. sports which will be held on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, closed on Saturday evening, there being a good number of entrants. The capabilities of the men who have come forward are such as to promise some excellent sport.

In the championship events the camp is divided on the merits of Tommy Logan and Claxton, and some really good contests should be witnessed between these two men. Judging from Logan's previous exhibitions he should stand a very excellent chance of gaining the coveted honour.

Among the items on the programme is the half mile swim which will take place outside the bath. The course will be from the V.R.C. ramp to the Praya Wall, opposite Messrs. Butterfield and Swire, and this will have to be completed eleven times. This should prove a most interesting event.

On Saturday evening it is hoped to wind up the three days' programme with a smoking concert held in the gymnasium.

The club is now making active preparations for its winter season and this time boxing is to play a by no means unimportant part. A gymnasium instructor will be engaged and it is hoped to wind up the season with an assault at arms. The lists which are posted at the club for entries for the feather weight, light weight, middle weight and heavy weight competitions, on November 4, are bearing a goodly number of names.

NAVAL WHO'S WHO.
(See "Telegraph" Correspondent.)

Canton, Sept. 16.
The Admiralty has, in view of the number of foreign men-of-war in Chinese waters, deemed it expedient to make enquiry into the names of the nations to which these warships belong, the names of the ships and of their commanders, the number of the crew on board, the description of the vessels, their displacements and the places of their anchorage. The Admiralty has instructed the Viceroy to make a report of all the foreign warships anchoring in the Pearl River with the items specified above. In future these reports have to be submitted to the Admiralty twice monthly. On receipt of this communication, the Viceroy instructed the Com-modore to investigate and report.

MR. CHEUNG YUK NAM.
(See "Telegraph" Correspondent.)

Canton, Sept. 16.
The friends and relatives of His Excellency Cheung Yuk Nam in Canton have received telegraphic news of his death in the Straits. The late Cheung-Yuk Nam was the elder brother of Mr. Cheung Hung Nam who, it will be remembered, was recalled to Canton by His Excellency the Canton Viceroy some time ago, in connection with the promotion of local industries and the development of Whampoa as a shipping port. The late Cheung Yuk Nam had also identified himself with many industries and manufacturing enterprises. Some years ago the deceased gentleman made a handsome gift to the Chinese Government towards the reorganization of the Navy, and was rewarded with a high official title. He was the adviser to the Board of Agriculture, Industry and Commerce.

LATE TELEGRAMS.
"The Cable News-American"

Washington, September 12.
The death is announced of Congressman James P. Latta of Nebraska, of James Russell Soley, formerly assistant secretary of the navy, and of former Congressman Edward Hogue Funsion, father of General Fred Funston, U. S. A.

Advices from Mexico City say that the government is hurrying a battalion of troops to Juarez, where the rebels are planning an attack and gathering forces.

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THE OPIUM TRADE.

Indian Paper's Views.

The following is from the "Advocate of India" of August 24:—It is well known that the destruction of the opium trade between India and China will result in a heavy financial loss to this country and the way in which that loss of revenue is to be made good is still a matter of speculation even at the India Office. But though we have heard a great deal about the loss to Indian revenue which will be caused by the cessation of the opium traffic, we have heard nothing at all about what will happen to the members of the Opium Department. Attention is now called to this very important aspect of the opium question and naturally people want to know whether the Exchequer Hall propaganda which is going to rob India of millions of pounds is also going to have the effect of throwing Government servants out of employment. Of course the members of the Opium Department could be quite easily transferred to other branches of the Service, but it is stated on more than the authority of rumour that the Government intend to deal with the members of the Opium Department on what are called "business principles." As a contemporary points out, a reply to a recent question in the United Provinces Council shows, indeed, that the Government are very much inclined to treat the officers of the Department as if they were so many mill-hands paid by the piece. "Business" in a relation of the kind that exists between the Government and its officers is all the more ridiculous because "business" was the last thing that has been considered in the whole policy of the Government with regard to opium. Crores of money have been thrown away out of regard for a sentiment which is hardly even based on facts, and for a distant and unappreciative people. A few thousands are grudged for the officers who will be thrown out of service as the result of the "great act of self-sacrifice and self-denial," which, by the way, is an act which has not cost its real performers a penny. We hope that the members of the Opium Department will take measures to carefully safeguard their interests, and that they will not take the step suggested by a Calcutta wag of asking Government for free passage to China in order that their export services may be utilised in the opium trade there!

Persons who have old papers, magazines and books are asked in Garrison Orders to kindly send them to the Chaplain's Room, Seapoint, any morning before noon, for the use of the men on the homeward voyage next troop-ing season.

DON'T FORGET.
Monday, September 18.
Annual General Meeting of the Hongkong Cricket League, Hongkong Cricket Club Pavilion, 5.30 p.m.

Auction of Crown Land.
Thursday, September 21.
V. R. C. Sports.
Friday, September 22.
V. R. C. Sports.
Saturday, September 23.
Douglas Steamship Co. meeting, noon, and extraordinary meeting, 12.15 p.m.
V. R. C. Sports.
Civil Service vs. Taikoo, Bowls.
Boxing, Skating Rink.

To-day's Advertisement.
V. R. C.
ANNUAL SWIMMING SPORTS.
THURSDAY, 21st September. Commencing: 5 p.m.
FRIDAY, 22nd September. Commencing: 10 p.m.
SATURDAY, 23rd September. Commencing: 4 p.m.

100 yards, 220 yards, 440 yards, and 800 yards Championships of the Colony, and many other events.
MILITARY BAND in attendance on Saturday, 23rd, on which day afternoon tea will be provided for Ladies.
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Hongkong, 18th Sept. 1911. [1088]

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BANDAKAN .. MAUSANG .. Thursday, 21st Sept., Noon.

SHANGHAI .. HANGSANG .. Friday, 22nd Sept., Noon.

MANILA .. LOONGSANG .. Saturday, 23rd Sept., 2 p.m.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & MOJI .. KUTSANG .. Tuesday, 26th Sept., Noon.

SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA .. NANSANG .. Tuesday, 26th Sept., Noon.

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DESTINATIONS.	STEAMERS.	SAILING, DATES, 1911
MARSEILLES, LONDON AND ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO AND PORT SAID.	KAMO MARU, Capt. F. L. Sommer, Tons 9,000 AKI MARU, Capt. K. Homma, Tons 7,000 MISHAMA MARU, Capt. A. E. Moses, T. 3,000	WEDNESDAY, 27th Sept., at Daylight. WEDNESDAY, 11th Oct., at Daylight. WEDNESDAY, 26th Oct., at Daylight.

VICTORIA, B.O. & SEATTLE ..	SADO MARU, Capt. J. Richards, Tons 7,000	SATURDAY, 7th Oct., from KOBE
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VICTORIA, B.O. & SEATTLE via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, OHI, & YOKOHAMA	TAMBA MARU, Capt. K. Noda, Tons 7,000 AWA MARU, Capt. I. Iizawa, Tons 7,000	TUESDAY, 10th Oct., at Noon. TUESDAY, 7th Nov., at Noon.
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SYDNEY & MELBOURNE, via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE.	NIKKO MARU, Capt. M. Yagi, Tons 6,000 KUMANO MARU, Capt. M. Winckler, T. 6,000	FRIDAY, 29th Sept., at Noon. FRIDAY, 27th Oct., at Noon.
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YOKOHAMA & YOKOHAMA	KUMANO MARU, Capt. M. Winckler, T. 6,000	FRIDAY, 29th Sept., at Noon.
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KOBE & YOKOHAMA	KAGA MARU, Capt. M. Hagin, T. 7,000	THURSDAY, 27th Sept., at 11 A.M.
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SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE.	WAKASA MARU, Capt. N. Nielsen, Tons 7,000	WEDNESDAY, 27th September.
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FOR	STEAMERS.	TO SAIL.
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SWATOW, WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO & TIENSIN ..	"HUICHOW" ..	19th " " 4 p.m.
HAIPHONG ..	"BUNGKIANG" ..	20th " " Daylight.
SHANGHAI ..	"CHENAN" ..	21st " " 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI ..	"LINAN" ..	23rd " " Night.
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Bayern .. 6th Oct.	S.S. "Helmstedt" .. 29th Sept.
Argadia .. 18th Oct.	S.S. "Suevia" .. 10th Oct.
Slavonia .. 3rd Nov.	For Rotterdam, Hamburg & Antwerp:
Scandia .. 18th Nov.	S.S. "Famulus" .. 11th Oct.
Spezia .. 2nd Dec.	For Havre, Bremen & Hamburg:
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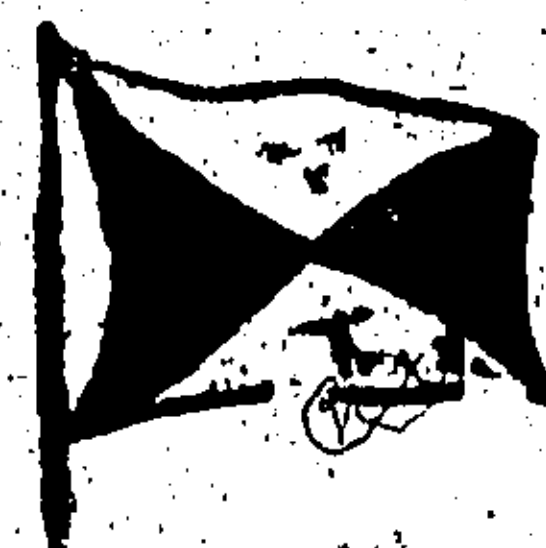
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Steamer	Tons	Captain	Date of sailing
S.S. "Nippon Maru" ..	11,000 ..	A. G. Stevens ..	Oct. 6th, Noon.
S.S. "Tenyo Maru" ..	21,000 ..	J. B. Bent ..	Oct. 18th, Noon.
S.S. "Shinyo Maru" ..	21,000 ..	L. S. Smith ..	Nov. 2nd, Noon.

† These steamers are equipped with Turbine Engines and Triple Screw. All steamers carry Japanese Government wireless telegraph and post officer.

The Triple Screw steamer Chiyo Maru, will be dispatched for San Francisco via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU on FRIDAY, the 6th Oct., at Noon.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (Subject to alteration)

Steamer	Tons	Date of Sailing
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Bayo Maru .. 10,600 .. Saturday, Oct. 14, Noon.

† The Steamer "HUVO MARU" will be dispatched for San Francisco via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU on FRIDAY, the 6th Oct., at Noon.

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COMMERCIAL.

Freight Circular.

Messrs. Lamco & Rogge's freight circular, dated Sept. 10, states:—

"Again only a limited volume of business was done in chartering during the fortnight under review, the bulk of the prevailing demand being for coal tonnage, especially from Japan, and suitable vessels offering sparingly, owners have been able to obtain better terms. In all other trades the requirements of charterers continue light, but owing to present scarcity of tonnage, in several instances, advanced rates were recorded."

However, the position may change if the report is correct that the French Government have prohibited further export of rice from Saigon. The outlook for immediate employment for "out-riders" up North is also not very promising; the disastrous floods in the Yangtze valley have spoiled to a great extent the growing crops, and from all rice-producing parts comes the same unfavourable reports.

Saigon-Hongkong:—Owing to the abnormal shortage of rice at Hongkong some fresh purchases were made, and regular liners have been getting full cargoes at the rate of freight of 8 cents per picul. We hear that a cargo of 2,000 tons rice being loaded by the s.s. Clara Jebson for Java destination was reverted to Hongkong, present time charterers obtaining the same rate as to Java, i.e. 21 cents per picul.

Local prices have risen considerably, and quotation for best quality rice is given as \$11 per picul, nearly double the figure quoted a fortnight ago.

Old Crop.—Stocks at Saigon are almost exhausted and quality of grain now coming on the market is very poor.

New Crop.—It is too early as yet to give any reliable opinion. Saigon-Philippines.—Charterers' requirements have been filled by the boats managed in the P. I.

Saigon-Java.—No fresh charters are reported.

Bangkok.—The shortage of rice is being severely felt in Siam, as is shown by the fact that the value of the exports last month was nearly seven million icoles less than in August, 1910, or 1909. It is said that the Siam Government have sent inspectors to the interior to investigate the prevailing conditions as to the new crop.

Newchwang-Canton.—Nothing has been done in this direction during the interval.

Coal freights from Japan have advanced and market closes very firm.

Fixtures reported:—Wakamatsu-Hongkong \$2 (Charterers paying Harbour dues 10 sen at Wakamatsu), Wakamatsu-Hongkong \$2.20 (Harbour dues for steamer's account) Hongkong-Amoy \$2.25, and Port Courbet-Canton \$2.20 per ton.

Timecharterers.—Further few vessels have found employment on timecharter basis intended for the following trades:—S.S. Germania, 6 months, \$7,000 per month for cattle trade Australia-Philippines; S.S. Spir's charter was extended for a further period at \$5,250 per month for cattle trade.

Phomp-h-Philippines; S.S. Solstad at \$600 per month for Vladivostok-Kamohatka trade, and S.S. Dagny has again been taken up for coal trade Hongkong-Canton at \$500 per month.

Homeward Bound.—Outside tonnage has been further reduced

